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SUBJECT: UK-GUATEMALA TALKS ON BELIZE DISPUTE

1. LAST SUNDAY WHILE VISITING THE BELIZE ANNUAL AGRICULTURAL FAIR, I CAME FACE TO FACE WITH NICK LARMOUR HALFWAY BETWEEN THE HYBRID CORN AND THE COCONUTS, CLOSELY FOLLOWED BY ACTING GOVERNOR FONSECA. IN RESPONSE PERHAPS TO THE INVOLUNTARY RAISING OF MY EYEBROWS, FONSECA LED ME OVER BEHIND THE PURE-BRED BULLS' CORRAL AND CONFIDED THAT AMBASSADOR RICHARDS AND LARMOUR WERE IN TOWN FURTHER TO CONCERT NEGOTIATING POSITION BETWEEN HMG AND GOB AND THAT THIS HAVING BEEN SUCCESSFULLY ACCOMPLISHED, TALKS WITH THE GUATEMALANS WOULD RESUME IN NEW ORLEANS THIS WEEK WITH AMBASSADOR HARRY COURTENAY REPRESENTING BELIZE.

2. COMMENT. TALKING TO FONSECA I THOUGHT I COULD DETECT A CERTAIN WHIFF OF SOMETHING SIGNIFICANT IN THE WIND.

3. TODAY'S BELIZE TIMES CARRIED FRONT PAGE ARTICLE CONFIRMING NEW ORLEANS MEETING TOGETHER WITH STATEMENT BY PREMIER PRICE
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THAT INDEPENDENCE AND SOVEREIGNTY OF BELIZE WERE NOT FOR NEGOTI-

TIATION AND THAT ANY AGREEMENT WHICH MIGHT EMERGE FROM THE
PRESENT ROUND OF TALKS WOULD HAVE TO BE PRESENTED TO AND RATI-
FIED BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF BELIZE BEFORE IT COULD BE
CONCLUDED. GAWF

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